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Atty. Dkt. No. 081356-0156

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hideaki NOMURA *et al.*
Title: POWDERY PREPARATION FOR MUCOSAL
ADMINISTRATION CONTAINING POLYMERIC MEDICINE
Appl. No.: 09/720,970
Appl. Filing Date: 1/3/2001
Examiner: Sharmila S. Gollamudi
Art Unit: 1616

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:** (check item(s) that apply)

a. Enclosed are:

☒ Amendment/Reply.

☒ Declaration Under 37 CFR § 1.132 with Exhibits A and B.

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The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$770.00	= \$770.00
Total Claims:	18	- 25	=0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents	2	- 3	=0	x \$86.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$290.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$770.00

☒ Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00		\$420.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00		\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			\$420.00
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:			- \$110.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			\$310.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1080.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:			\$1080.00

☒ A check in the amount of \$1080.00 to cover the filing fee and 2nd-month extension of time fee is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 2 August 2004

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter the following Request for Continued Examination submission in the above-referenced application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: